

THE DAILY BEE.

OMAHA.

Thursday Morning, Nov. 29.

Special Meeting of the State Alliance. A special meeting of the Farmers' State Alliance will be held at Kearney, Neb., on Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 16 and 17, 1884.

For the upper Mississippi and Missouri valleys, slightly warmer fair weather, lower barometer.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Barney & Berry skates at Himebaugh & Taylor's. Himebaugh & Taylor, Omaha, sell Buffalo U. S. Standard scale. Write for prices.

The U. P. pay car came in on the 3:30 train yesterday afternoon, from Haly, Idaho. Big free lunches will be set out at all the saloons to-day, and a square meal can be obtained for five cents.

Mr. Charles Hanson, secretary of the Swedish Library Association, gave a birthday party to a number of his friends Wednesday at his home corner of Twenty-second and Mason streets. It was a very pleasant affair.

Mr. John H. Feeney has just forwarded the sum of \$137.15 collected for the O'Donnell relief fund. The books are still open at his store on Sixteenth street, where all wishing to aid in the good cause may call and subscribe.

At Homburg's saloon Wednesday a man attempted to stand and jump over a billiard table on a wager of \$150. He was a trifle "too full" and missed his calculations and consequently lost his money.

The Union Catholic Library Association will offer its regular monthly entertainment on this (Thanksgiving) evening. It is needless to say that the programme prepared for this occasion will be an excellent and enjoyable one.

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William Cody (Buffalo Bill) passed through this city Tuesday on route for Davenport, where he begins a series of entertainments entitled "Twenty Days, or Buffalo Bill's Pledge." He was accompanied by his manager, Mr. John Burke, and several others belonging to the troupe.

Last night at the closing hour of Mr. Gentlemen's new grocery store, Mr. E. O'Hara was the recipient of a nice present, which really came in time of need.

SUICIDE OR MURDER.

A Dead Man Found in a Well on South Nineteenth Street This Morning.

Circumstances Point Strongly to Foul Play—A Fatal Ending to a Drunken Brawl.

Sensations have been very scarce in Omaha for a number of weeks and the slightest rumor was sufficient to provoke a "triple header." Every scheme possible has been worked to give to the papers a sensational bearing, but with very poor success.

Yesterday, bright and early, news was received at Jacob's undertaking shop, that the body of a man had been found in an open well on South Nineteenth street, near the railroad track.

A BODY COULD PLAINLY BE SEEN. It was lying in a cramped position, the knees and chin being the only parts above the top of the water. When the body was first discovered, shortly after daylight this morning, it was in a sitting posture with the water only up around the neck, but before the arrival of the coroner it had either slid or had been pushed down into the position above described.

The gentleman who had accompanied the coroner to the place, descended into the well and fastened a rope around the dead man in such a manner that the GHOSTLY CORPSE WAS HAILED OUT.

The body was frozen and huge chunks of ice were clinging to the dirt-begrimed clothing and lifeless flesh, presenting a sorry picture. It was placed in a wagon and taken to Jacob's undertaking rooms where it now lies.

A search through the pockets of his clothing failed to reveal anything by which he could be identified, an empty bottle and a red handkerchief being the only articles which were discovered.

On the left side of the head, and a little back of the temple was an UGLY WOUND which may have been caused by falling head foremost upon some gas pipe, of which there are two pieces in the well, and may have been occasioned in some other way.

It is the theory of a number of persons who reside in that locality that he was YET MURDERED and then thrown into the well. It is said that a drunken brawl was had in a little house not more than fifty feet from the well, Tuesday night, and that there was a big fight there.

The man who was seen last night considerably under the influence of liquor, and that he had some money and a watch in his possession, which he did not have this morning.

A B reporter, in company with officer Ruano, visited the place yesterday and took a look at the old well. It is not more than twelve feet deep and is about six feet square. It is boarded up inside, and the curbing extends about one foot above the level of the ground on three sides, while on the fourth side it is broad, wide and is on a level with the earth.

There is no fence around it, and as it stands near the road, even a sober man might stumble into it upon a dark night. In fact it is a dangerous pitfall and should either be filled up or fenced in at once.

A gentleman who was present on Tuesday volunteered to measure the water, which was found to be one foot deep on an average, while in one corner it was twenty inches deep.

The man must either have been stunned by his fall or else have been tapped upon the head, for certain it is that he did drown as his head was above water when recovered.

All that could be learned from parties in the vicinity was that his name was John Koschee, that he was a Hungarian by birth, and that he resided upon 23d street and was employed in the nail works. His wife says that he left home yesterday afternoon, and as he did not return last evening she supposed he was at work. He was apparently about 35 years of age.

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One of these men testified he was certain that the second time he went to the well the body had been moved. He thought it was sunk deeper. A man told witness, the first time he was at the well, that some one had gone down the well and tried to push the dead man's head down. This man did not say to witness that he had seen the other man go down the well.

The last witness called was Maria Koschee, the wife of the deceased. Being unable to speak English, her testimony was taken with a countrywoman of hers, who acted as interpreter. Witness testified that the last time she saw her husband alive was a few minutes after ten o'clock Tuesday evening. He did not work Tuesday. He drank occasionally. He never had trouble with the neighbors, and was not quarrelsome when he was drinking. She knew that he had ten cents in money and a watch. He knew the road well and always came home.

RAILWAY NEWS.

The Belt Line Controversy Likely to Reach an Amicable Settlement.

Other Railroad Matters.

THE BELT LINE TROUBLE. So far as the fight between the Union Pacific and the Omaha belt road on the one side, and the Chicago, Minnesota, St. Paul & Omaha on the other, is concerned, it is pretty safe to say that it will be "amicably" settled, as the Union Pacific having got its opponent in a pocket, is able to dictate terms.

A Sudden Scare.

The Effect of an Unfounded Rumor—What Might Have Happened.

The commotion over the sudden building of that great piece of public improvement, the Belt railway, has not by any means died out. Since last Sunday open demonstrations have not been so actively made as at that time. The work of construction is proceeding so rapidly as it did then. In fact to a casual observer it might seem that the matter was fast dying out. It might appear that the St. Paul company had concluded to remain helpless, and to quietly allow the antagonists to draw its coils more tightly when it got ready.

But recent events have so worked upon the feeling of both sides that each is ready to fly at the other upon the least provocation. Of the two the U. P. or Belt side is perhaps the more nervous. It is for this reason that everything is not so serene as it appears. If any one desires to raise a bit of excitement, he has but to whisper "St. Paul" to the least of the U. P. crowd of hangers-on and forthwith there is a commotion along the line to headquarters, as if sent by electricity.

Now for a case in point: At an early hour last evening a rumor had been circulated that this new railroad improvement, the Belt line, was very likely to be torn up before morning. It is said that the effect of this rumor was instantaneous. Immediately Colonel Frank Hanlon, Frank Walters and other U. P. officials were seen hurrying in hot haste toward the Belt railway. The U. P. men rallied their forces and urged everybody to be vigilant. The enemy must be watched. The fort must be held if possible. It was not to be lost. The Belt railway in even less time than it took to build it. Failure to hold the situation would be followed by summary dismissal from the service of the company.

It is now positively stated, although the official reports have not yet been issued, that Mr. J. D. Layng will retire from the general superintendency of the Chicago & Northwestern on next Saturday, and that Mr. C. C. Wheeler, late general manager of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe, will succeed him the same day.

Mr. Wheeler, the new general superintendent of the Northwestern, is so to speak, coming home again. He has grown old in the service of the Northwestern, and has always been considered one of the ablest and most efficient officials on that road. Previous to his acceptance of the position of general manager of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe, about two years ago, he was the general superintendent of the Northwestern, virtually performing the same duties he will now again assume, as at that time the position of general superintendent was vacant.

The Sioux City Journal of Tuesday says: The engineers of the Sioux City and Pacific have returned from their survey west of Valentine, Capt. Ainsworth, chief engineer of the road, informs a reporter. They have not yet laid out the line for ninety miles. The general direction is west, the terminus of the located line on Antelope creek, being nearly due west of Valentine. Capt. Ainsworth said that the grading had not been let, nor would it likely be let until next spring. Indeed, it was not a sure thing that any grade would be made west of Valentine next season, though the probabilities are that work would be done. The grading on the ninety miles located is not heavy, only about 15,000 cubic yards to the mile. For the first eighty miles there is enough sand in the soil to make it work easy right after a rain.

It will be remembered that some time ago the general manager of the Gould roads issued an order to the effect that any employee drinking liquor would be discharged. Superintendent Barnard, of the Kansas City, St. Joseph and Council Bluffs railroad has just promulgated an order which is as follows: "The use of profane and obscene language by engineers, conductors, firemen, brakemen, switchmen, or any employee of this company, while on duty, is not only unauthorized, and notice is hereby given that the head of each department is instructed to immediately discharge any man in the company who uses such language, for the use of such language. The order took effect on the 25th inst."

The Plattsmouth Herald says: The Q authorities, as is well known, have said they were going to remove their shops from Creston to some other point, and when that other point is in the question, Plattsmouth fellows who are supposed to know say that Pacific Junction or Plattsmouth are to be the future seats of these valuable acquisitions. Some time last night the Q special No. 50 arrived at Pacific Junction with Merrill, superintendent of the Burlington division; Dugan, superintendent of the western division of the Q and Mr. Davenport, its general agent at Burlington. They stopped over there until this afternoon, looking the town over. Since noon they have been looking over the shops here. They will leave for the east to-morrow afternoon. The fact of these dignitaries spending so much time here is peculiarly significant at this time, and probably means a great deal for the city.

A Card of Thanks. Editor Bee.—Mr. Patrick Welch, the only contractor for the city who resides in Omaha, has finished the Fourteenth street grade and alleys adjoining, as well as the Paxton hill on Eighteenth and Farman, to the entire satisfaction of the city authorities, to whom Mr. Welch returns his sincere thanks for the patronage extended to him by the board of public works, particularly to Mr. James Creighton, with whom he has long been acquainted in work of this kind, as well as that of railroads.

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ANOTHER NEW CORPORATION. The Douglas County Loan and Trust Association.

Articles of incorporation of the Douglas County Loan and Trust company were filed in the county clerk's office yesterday, the incorporators being Leavitt Burnham, P. C. Himebaugh, Guy C. Barton, Mr. Balback, W. O. Taylor, Congdon, Clark and Hunt, McCarague Brothers, A. L. Straub and Wm. Flemmer. The capital stock is \$25,000, divided into shares of \$100 each.

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